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HUDGENS: PRELIMINARY INSURED LOSSES FROM JANUARY SNOW STORM TOPS \$10 MILLION

Atlanta – As claims start to pour in, Insurance Commissioner Ralph Hudgens said insured losses in Georgia from the January 28th snow storm is now estimated at \$10 million.

"This estimate includes damages to insured homes and vehicles," Hudgens said. "Losses now stand at \$10 million."

The estimate was based on claims activity reported to the Insurance Department by major insurance carries. Commissioner Hudgens emphasized that these claims reports are only a partial listing -- not all companies have reported.

Commissioner Hudgens also wants to remind Georgians that they can call his Consumer Services Division at **404-656-2070**, or outside the Metro area at **1-800-656-2298** if they have questions about a claim or if they are experiencing difficulty reaching their insurance company. Phone lines are open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.